

Tattersall's Club Newsletter



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

May this year bring peace and happiness to us all.

The Club started the New Year with a very successful race meeting at Royal Randwick. Almost 15,700 people were there to see Sabr Tayeb come home the winner in a close finish to the Tattersall's Gold Cup. The cup designed by Club member Brian O'Connor won the admiration of all racegoers.

The guest of honour at the luncheon was John Inglis, a very popular member and great supporter of Tattersall's. The Race Committee really did a fine job in organising the meeting. Our grateful thanks also go to the Australian Jockey Club for allowing the Club the use of Randwick to stage our meeting. The condition of the track was excellent, especially after so much racing over the Christmas — New Year period.

On 7th January a luncheon was held at the Club to honour the 90th Birthday of Life Member Tom Powell. A large number of friends, both old and new, gathered to mark the day. Sir Nicholas Shehadie proposed the toast to his close friend and many stories were told of Tom's long and outstanding associations with racing and the Club. We all hope to meet again for Tom's century luncheon. Ken Upton and Peter Twigg deserve thanks for arranging such an enjoyable day.

Your Committee late last year decided it was time to find a more effective way of keeping members regularly informed of happenings, both past and future, at the Club. It was decided this be done by reducing the number of issues of the Club magazine from six to two each year, these to be forwarded in May and November, and in all other months to issue a Club newsletter of which this is the first.

At the last Annual Meeting, the Committee promised it would come to members with a proposal with regard to the building. Since last year when the complete redevelopment of the site was proved unviable, many hours of discussions have been held with architects and other experts in an effort to find the most effective means of complying with the requirements of Ordinance 70 fire safety regulations and combining them with a reorganisation of Club facilities within the existing building.

The Brief of the panel contained two other important considerations. Firstly, the alterations should be done in such a way that members be not inconvenienced or disadvantaged. Secondly, the project, if possible, should be self financing with members not being called on to contribute to the cost.

Some little time could elapse before concrete proposals are formulated. However, Committee is anxious for the whole matter to be resolved at the Annual General Meeting on 12th June, 1985.

This year the Club has been able to contain yearly subscriptions at the levels applying for the current financial year. However this approach can only apply as long as the level of usage of the Club's dining rooms and bars is maintained, if not increased. I am sure all members will agree with me that the only way the Club can contain rising costs is by increasing turnover, which is increased usage of the facilities by members. The Committee hopes all members will help in this way in 1985.

TONY McSWEENEY, Chairman

POOL SHOTS

Splendid Christmas festivities and eye-opening performances by John De Mestre, Robert Farrell, Garry Wilson and John Murray were noted in December. The highlight of the month was the annual Christmas Scramble on Thursday 20th December which drew a field of forty-eight. The twelve a side teams race provided a great spectacle and resulted in Michael McCormack's "Tigers" taking the honours from Tony Salier's "Camels". Norman Roger's "Lions" and Harry Turner's "Baboons" were not disgraced as all teams shared the lead during various stages. The result mattered little as all starters and onlookers received prizes, thanks to the multitude of donors.

The December point score winner was debonair Charles Coppa with 31 points; John Barber and John Barrell were joint runners-up.

Racing resumed on 8th January, 1985 when we were honoured with the return of popular Les Foley who scored a well judged victory in his heat. Welcome also to David John and Malcolm Fuller participating in 80 yard events. David landed a final in the smart time of 42.1 seconds.

Hear that Allister Lugsdin is back in town but so far has not sported silk, a whisper that he is about to become a Daddy. All the best Al.

Our 100 lap performer Sir Talbot Duckmanton has returned after a spell in the Old Dart. Received a nice greeting card wishing his many friends the Seasons Greetings.

Hearty congratulations from the members of the Swimming Club to veteran Tom Powell on his 90th natal day. Hope you keep fit and reach the century Tom.

Missing persons ad. Where are Hugh Keller and David Berkman hiding.

RESULTS

6.11.84 40 yds Hcp Final J. De Mestre; **8.11.84 Col Tidy 80 yds Hcp** 1st Final J. Murray, 2nd Final J. Nicholas, 3rd Final A. King, 4th Final J. De Mestre; **13.11.84 40 yds Hcp** 1st Final A. King, 2nd Final G. Wilson; **Col Tidy 80 yds Hcp** **15.11.84** 1st Final G. McCormack, 2nd Final J. Barker, 3rd Final B. Chiene, 4th Final J. Keating; **20.11.84 80 yds B Race Relay** Final B. Chiene and J. Ward; **Col Tidy 80 yds Hcp** 1st Final J. Levy, 2nd Final A. Berkman, 3rd Final K. Morgan, 4th Final R. Farrell, 5th Final J. De Mestre; **27.11.84 40 yds Hcp** 1st Final J. Murray, 2nd Final R. Farrell; **29.11.84 Col Tidy 80 yds Hcp** 1st Final W. Debney, 2nd Final R. Farrell, 3rd Final J. Murray, 4th Final A. Berkman, 5th Final J. McCocker, 6th Final G. Wilson and M. McCormack Dead Heat; **4.12.84 80 yds B Race Medley** M. Davis and J. De Mestre; **6.12.84 Col Tidy 80 yds Hcp** 1st Final J. Keating, 2nd Final G. Wilson, 3rd Final G. McCormack, 4th Final J. Keating, 5th Final P. Sutton, 6th Final S. McCallum; **11.12.84 40 yds Hcp** 1st Final J. Barrell, 2nd Final R. Glover; **13.12.84 Col Tidy 80 yds Hcp** 1st Final K. Morgan, 2nd Final D. Dobbin, 3rd Final S. McAllum, 4th Final J. Murray, 5th Final J. De Mestre, 6th Final W. Debney, 7th Final B. Ross-Jones; **18.12.84 40 yds B Race Relay** Trial E. Joye and R. Hill; **8.1.84 40 yds Hcp 1st Trial** 1st Final M. Davis, 2nd Final J. Barker; **Col Tidy 80 yds Hcp** 1st Final A. Barrell, 2nd Final J. Ward, 3rd Final G. Wilson, 4th Final G. McCormack, 5th Final D. Fuller, 6th Final J. Nicholas, 7th Final B. Chiene.

GOLF

With Manly 3 feet under water the scheduled Championships were deferred until December and eventually played at the Australian thanks to the efforts of Committeemen Barry Page and Peter Larkin. The course was in perfect condition and weather conditions ideal but scoring generally was poor. The hottest competition was for the "Bradman" and results are still dependent on a reverse count-back. George Alpen was the early favourite but Rod Fisher is yet to complete the last hole after knocking two into the lake from the left hand bunker.

Secretary Bob McIntyre thought he had driven the first, a par 5, but found he was only on the fairway — Bob commented that the fairways are just like the greens at Royal Melbourne from whence he came to Tattersalls.

George Andrews was a late starter putting in the phone call from Manly. When some associates teed off at Manly, George thought he may have been at the wrong venue — he received 3 golf balls for his effort. Basil Phillips, Tony Berkman and Graham Smith, his playing partners gave him one hell of a roast after the game.

Results were:

Championship	J. McCarthy	77
Runner-Up	R. Barraket	80
B-Grade	W.L. Hunt	85
	S. Zappia	86
C-Grade	K. McCann	96
Veteran	J. Grant	81
Handicap A	B. Page	69
B	R. Wardley	73 (cb)
C	B. Phillips	74

Somewhere along the line the marker for the longest drive was forgotten and the event was altered to the shortest drive — winner Rod Fisher — two inches on the 13th. At the same hole, playing partner Bob McIntyre showed great composure after taking two drops from unplayable lies in the green-side bunker. Bob eventually picked up and proceeded to knock his tee shot out of bounds on the next hole. Having been disqualified you could see the smile on his face knowing that he did not have to go back to play 3 off the tee. However, the day was not a total disaster as he won nearest the pin on the difficult 4th hole across the lake.

A great day was had by all and many thanks to the Australian for the use of their course and facilities.

We look forward to bigger and better fields in 1985 — good golfing.



EPICUREANS CORNER

Dear Epicureans,

Welcome to all the fun in 1985! Your committee is in the process of organising the year's activities, but our opening night will be a delightful occasion. A South American Night! Come and enjoy a splendid Smorgasbord as only the Club can present then fling into those South American routines to the music of John Ferguson's (South American?) Band!! Remember the Big Band night in 1984? This time it is just his foursome — but don't worry we are also planning to have the Big Band return later in the year. The opening night details are shown below.

Among other surprises for the year we have made booking dates for the year's great musical "Cats". These are in August and September. Full details are not available at time of going to press so watch the future newsletters. Undoubtedly "Cats" has the reputation as THE musical of 1984/85.

All club Members please note:

You are very welcome at any of the functions organised by the Epicureans of Tattersall's Club. All you have to do is to phone in with details of your party. Alternatively if you wish to meet other Club members just ask to be placed with other Epicureans.

Be sure to mention if it is your first visit. Many good Club friends meet for the first time at an Epicurean function! Enjoy your Club. Come and join us.

"A SOUTH AMERICAN NIGHT"

Friday 8th March, 1985

Club Room — 7.30 p.m. for 8 p.m.

Casual Dress — Dress in the spirit of the party!

Smorgasbord Dinner

— Glorious Seafoods

— Delectable Meats

— Magnificent Salads, Cheeses

— Beautiful Desserts

Dancing — To the music of John Ferguson's Foursome (South American Version!)

Charge — \$25.00 per person for pre-dinner drinks and dinner.

Bookings — Joanne Grimble on 264-6111

BOOKINGS CLOSE WEDNESDAY 27th February, 1985

SUBSCRIPTIONS 1985/86

All members by now have received their December 1984 statements on which is included the amount payable for subscriptions for the year commencing 1st March, 1985.

No doubt it has been noted that rates for the year are the same as for 1984-1985, despite the introduction of the 38 hour week for Club employees and other inevitable cost increases.

Subscription accounts are due and payable on or before 1st March, 1985 and the cooperation of all members in paying this account as soon as convenient would be appreciated.

160 YEARS BETWEEN THEM, AND STILL GOING

By Peter Rheuben

The fact that Warrawee bowlers, Bill Stone and Doug Gibson, were runners-up in the club pairs recently would hardly have the statisticians running for the record books.

However, considering their ages total 160 years it is an outstanding effort.

Gibson, 84, like good red wine, seems to be getting better with age.

Mr Warrawee, as he is affectionately known, has won every club title on numerous occasions and hasn't missed a Gold Coast Carnival for more than 20 years.

A pupil of the late Gordon Sergeant, he appears to be following in the footsteps of that master bowler who was still winning well into his 70s.

Bill Stone retired as a regional vice president for National Cash Registers — then took up the game seriously.

He is an object lesson that it is never too late to start and in the last 14 years has built up a great record at the North Shore club.

Before he retired he didn't have his name on the honours board, but now has it there 11 times.

He has won the club fours six times, the latest this year, and has been successful in every major club event except the thimble.

A former nine handicapper at golf at Melbourne's Yarra Yarra Golf Club, Bill joined Melbourne Windsor in 1936 and won the minor singles at his second attempt.

He transferred to Sydney and after joining Pymble Golf Club decided to switch to Warrawee Bowling Club where he has been for 23 years.

Bill was a good snooker and billiards player and played for Hawthorn's Aussie Rules Second 18 in 1936.

A great club man, Bill plays in the top tennis team at his club and has been on just about every committee and sub-committee.

And at the age of 76, he still averages at least three games a week.

RECIPROCAL CLUBS

The Committee is pleased to announce that reciprocal arrangements have been established with the Midland Club, Christchurch, New Zealand.

As is the case with all overseas clubs with which Tattersall's has reciprocal arrangements, members wishing to use Midland's facilities must obtain a card of introduction from the office.

Other overseas reciprocal clubs, of which full details are available from the office are:

New York Athletic Club
Denver Athletic Club
Los Angeles Athletic Club
Olympic Club, San Francisco
Honolulu Club
Terminal City Club, Vancouver
National Liberal Club, London
Hong Kong Cricket Club

Tanglin Club, Singapore
Detroit Athletic Club
Amarillo Club, Texas
College Club, Seattle
Kona Kai Club, San Diego
Outrigger Canoe Club,
Honolulu
Lansdowne Club, London

HANDBALL

TATTERSALL'S PLATE

Congratulations to Ron Rogers who proved his class as a handballer by annexing the grand slam of handball in 1984, the N.S.W. Singles Championship, the N.S.W. Double Championship and the Tattersall's Plate.

The Tattersall's Plate is a seeded draw singles championship. All handball clubs are invited to nominate their two leading players to take part in the event. Norman Rogers first promoted the event in 1973 and over the years it has become one of the most popular events in the handball calendar.

The contest for the Plate provided many exciting matches with Don Hudson and Jim Campbell, Noel Vella and Garry Stubbs all doing well. Ron and Neil Rogers played out the final with Ron stringing together an incredible winning streak of fourteen consecutive points to win in the Plate.

1985 Programme:

Handball Club President Norman Rogers, after presenting the President's Trophy to that popular doubles combination Bill Blakemore and Les Harris, announced that the 1985 Singles Championship would be played during June and July. Special emphasis was given to the words "and concluded"!

Arthur O'Connor will co-ordinate the draws but he won't be able to assist you once you are on the court. That is up to players who have sufficient time to get themselves trim, taut and terrific for this midwinter event.

Another busy year is anticipated for all handballers with the N.S.W. State Doubles Championship the first event. This will be followed by the State singles and then the Tattersall's Plate.

A TOUCH OF IRISH

The second floor certainly has been rejuvenated since that cheerful Irish leprechaun Paddy Morgan has been there. He laughs at jokes about Mrs Murphy and rings the praises of a good shot like a nice Welsh boyo. Those who have taken advantage of his lessons have already more than reaped the cost at the tables. Paddy still has space available for students and always is looking for starters in his Monday Round Robin Tournaments. Paddy can be contacted on the Club phone each day between 11.00 and 3.00 and lessons can be arranged outside those hours.

Snooker players are reminded that once again we will be running our Annual Snooker Tournament handicap with all the big prizes and close contests we have come to expect. Closing dates for the tournament are as follows:

Entries close — Friday, May 3rd
Ballot closes — Friday, May 17th
Ballot drawn — Monday, May 20th, 4.00 p.m.
Ballot auction — Monday, June 3rd, 1.00 p.m.
Competition commences — Tuesday, June 4th.

An entry form, which you are invited to complete now is enclosed with this newsletter.

We look forward to seeing many participants in the Snooker and Billiards Handicap and for those of you who feel you are good enough to be in the championships, we remind you of all the wonderful prizes donated by Tom Powell, George Mousally and the Club which will again be available to be won.

LAWN BOWLS

The Bowls Committee welcomes some new and some old bowling members who have indicated they will support our keen group. Sir Emmet McDermott, Bill Rodgers, David Bruce and Adrian Smith, all from North Shore clubs are some of those coming in 1985. It looks like games are called for up the line in this series ... N.B. Match Committee!

The interstate carnival this year is in Queensland, 24th to 29th March, 1985. The host club, Brisbane Tattersall's Club have arrangements well in hand and are looking forward to good bowling. Allen Fudge, 48-0352, has all the information for those wishing to go.

Club matches are being arranged against Canberra Club, City Tattersalls (Kensington), Newcastle (Gosford City), Kensington, Gallipoli Legion (Milsoms Point), City and Double Bay. More details will be available in the next issue.

Details for the 1985 draw for the Singles Championship and Pairs Competition will be posted on the Board at Tattersall's Club, City Bowling Club and Double Bay Bowling Club. Staff Callinan can also provide the information on 358-4284.

Enquiries regarding membership and games are always welcome. Don't hesitate to contact the following anytime.

R.R. (Tim) Anderson (President) — 960-1083
Eric Crittenden (Vice President) — 357-3608
David Solomon (Vice President) — 30-7436
Staff Callinan (Match) — 358-4284
E.J. Williams — 328-6062
Frank Magree — 93-1149
Allen Walker (Social and Welfare) — 30-2514
Jim Whyte (Treasurer) — 358-2856
Allen Fudge (Secretary) — 48-0352

BOWLS PROGRAMME FEBRUARY — MARCH 1985

Feb. 7: City
14: Double Bay
19: Garney Noble Sportsmen's Day Marrickville
21: Double Bay
28: Gala Day, Tattersalls Trophies, Double Bay

March 7: Match vs City at City
14: Double Bay
21: Double Bay
24: Depart for Coolangatta
25-29: Interstate Carnival

